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WORCESTER CHILDREN'S
✻ FRIEND SOCIETY ✻



FIFTY-SEVENTH AND FIFTY-EIGHTH

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

WORCESTER

Children's Friend Society



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FORM OF BEQUEST.

I hereby give and bequeath to the Worcester Children's Friend Society, incorporated in 1849, the sum of \$—— to be applied to the uses of said corporation, and hereby authorize my Executor to pay the same to the person who shall be acting as Treasurer of said Society.

The Society is largely dependent upon voluntary contributions.

Subscriptions may be sent to the Worcester Children's Friend Society.

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REPORT OF THE MANAGERS.

IN presenting their fifty-seventh and fifty-eighth reports, which cover the period from January 1, 1905, to October 1, 1906, the managers wish to express their obligation to the friends who with unquestioning liberality, have made it possible for the Society to carry out the original plan of the organizers, the care of orphaned and neglected children. The managers realize that the money has not been idly given and they value the confidence which is still shown by continued bequests.

In the death of Hon. Stephen Salisbury, the Society has lost a sincere and generous friend. His interest in it was quietly shown, as it was in other charitable institutions, but it was genuine and unfailing. From the earliest times the Salisbury name has been among those of our benefactors, Madam Salisbury heading the list with a bequest of one thousand dollars. As the number grows less of those who have given us their able support, we ask the younger generation to fill their places. Parents whose children have never known what it is not to be warmly clad or properly fed, philanthropists who are eager to improve the condition of destitute children by removing them from an unhealthy atmosphere to one both morally and physically wholesome; to you we look for substantial aid to carry on our work.

Often the inspiration which comes from small gifts, like a delicate chain extends through helpers to those who are helped until it is doubtful which has been the more benefited. In this connection let me speak of a touching incident: A young girl of humble parents when dying asked her mother to take the money which she had put into the savings bank and send it to the Children's Friend Society of Worcester. The sum was thirteen dollars. It would seem as if a gift like this must be hallowed and like the loaves and fishes

inexhaustible. Memorial Hospital is still our tower of strength. Seven children have been cared for there since the last report. The District nurse has attended one case.



Dr. Mary Sherman of Brookfield, Dr. Wilbur H. Bliss of Shrewsbury, Dr. Edwin L. Chase of Shrewsbury, Dr. Arthur C. Jelly of Boston, Dr. Mary E. Barrell, and Dr. Charles B. Stevens of our own city as well as physicians in various towns where the children are placed, have our grateful thanks for repeated service. The Employment Society has done an unusual amount of work. The following churches have also sewed for us; Unity, South Unitarian, Hope and Pilgrim, and Adams Square Social Union.

Those who have helped clothe the children are Piedmont Church, two girls; Lend-a-Hand Club, First Unitarian Church, two children; Adams Square Social Union, two children; The Missionary Society of the Congregational Church in Shrewsbury, one girl; Enterprise Ten, South Unitarian, one girl; Young Ladies' League, Plymouth Church, one child; Mrs. William Norcross, one girl; Miss Kelly's Sunday School class of Pilgrim Church, one girl. This class composed of fifteen girls has

been most enthusiastic, giving money to buy outside garments which they could not make; and through them the mothers have become interested in the work of the Society. Ladies' Social Circle First Universalist Church, two children; Class Eight Old South Church Sunday School have had a food sale and the Young Ladies' League a fair for our benefit; the Christian Endeavor Society of Paxton, entertainments for the past two years; and the Girls' Industrial Club two entertainments.

We are grateful to the Worcester Consolidated Street Railway Company for favors received. Our thanks are also due to the Worcester Evening Gazette, the Worcester Daily Telegram, and the Worcester Evening Post, for courteous attention to our notices and the contribution of their papers.

Some of our country homes approved by our General Secretary, have been used by the City Missionary for summer



vacation work. We have received a bequest from Mr. Rufus G. Alverson, Oxford, who became interested in our Society through some children who were placed in homes in that town.

They must have been well cared for, or he would not have felt so kindly towards the Society.

The time of the annual meeting has been changed from January to October as at that time the charitable societies as well as the churches begin their work.

Again we ask our friends to take a personal interest in our "placing-out" system, and we are sure that from a closer knowledge will spring a desire to aid us materially in extending this work.

Respectfully submitted,

ABIGAIL BLAKE BARTON,

Secretary.



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*Deceased.



REPORT OF GENERAL SECRETARY.

BUREAU OF INFORMATION AND COUNSEL.

During the year ending January 1, 1906 our advice or aid was asked 86 times, which represents 120 children, ranging in ages from one week to eighteen years. From January 1, 1906 to October 1, 1906 our counsel has been sought 110 times, which represents 165 children, a marked increase during the past nine months, over the preceding year. Each time we have listened sympathetically, carefully considering the best way to help them. A thorough investigation has been made of the present situation, the income of the family, their expenses, possible employments and also of the relatives who might aid. Every effort possible has been made to keep the children in their own homes, or with relatives when it was advisable, or placed with some society doing a more specialized work. At least three-fourths of all the children, whom we are asked to aid, never come into our Placing-out Department, which part of our work is better known.

A case of abuse reported to us proved to be more one of ignorance, it required much supervision of the child in its own home to remedy the evil. The paternal influence may be lax and it becomes our work to strengthen this, that the child may be guided rightly, and yet remain at home. Many difficulties can be met by the Day Nursery, the Society of Mothers and Infants, and the State. A girl whose foot was injured and who was fast becoming a cripple came to our notice. She was placed in Memorial Hospital, and upon her discharge, she returned to her own home. By careful supervision on our part and frequent visits to our physician, going twice a week for many months, she is now on the highway to recovery.

Relatives even at a distance are often willing to share their home with our unfortunate friend in which case special

rail-road rates are obtained. An earnest effort has been made to keep the young mother and her child together;



in a number of cases gratifying results have been obtained. Possibly it is only our advice that is needed, gained from our experience. We feel that no case can be too thoroughly investigated in order that we may go to the root of the cause of the distress and be persistent in our effort to remove this cause, otherwise much of our work would only be to relieve for the time being and not to effect a permanent cure of the situation. Each occasion brings forth new plans

and resources. It is this side of our work that we wish to emphasize and which we call our Bureau of Information and Counsel.

PLACING-OUT DEPARTMENT.

	Jan. 1,'05,	Oct. 1,'06.
Children at board in Families,	58	59
In families free of expense to Society, except for clothing,	2	3
In free homes, no charge to Society, for board or clothing,	13	13
In families earning wages,	3	2
Temporarily placed	1	1
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Total number of children in families.	77	78
Total number of children placed during the year,	118	104

We are often asked how we obtain the homes in the country. Application is made to us and a word picture is

recorded of the members of the family, the size of the house, distance from school, material condition etc. Each applicant is asked to give at least three references, to whom a circular letter, asking in confidence concerning the family and whether the child would find a thoroughly happy home, kind and intelligent care and moral training. In addition to this at least three similar letters of inquiry are sent to people, whose names have not been given as references. Finally a visit is made and if all is well, the home is approved and placed on file. These homes are investigated at our leisure and not under the pressure of the moment when a home is needed. When a child is to be placed a careful selection is made from these approved homes with reference to the needs of the child and nearness to relatives. We go with the child to his new home, making him feel our interest in him. Then begins our frequent visits not only to the home, but the farm yard and the school, often remaining to a meal or over night. Gaining in every possible way, the love and confidence of the child as well as the family. Often a child has to be adjusted to its new surroundings, which requires many visits, but with far better results for the child than to change him from home to home. Brothers and sisters are kept together and only one family of children in a home.

Each child has been remembered at Christmas, St. Valentine's, their birthday, and an outing once a year. Flower seeds have been sent to the girls and vegetable seeds to the boys, and many have not only sold their products, but have gained prizes at the county fairs, thus adding to their bank account which they are encouraged to have. A correspondence is established and much enjoyed with the older children. An effort is made to keep them in school as long as possible and advisable. At present five are working their way through High Schools. As we visit, we hear of birthday parties, unique Christmas and Thanksgiving festivities often given just to interest our children. The effect of this real home life is soon seen in the happy rosy cheeked children. One of our foster mothers writes to us. "It is just a year to-morrow, since you brought me the dear little boy. It has been a year

of toil, and some self denials in the way of staying at home most of the time, but never-the-less a year of happiness."

Much attention has been given to the physical defects. Through the kindness of twenty-eight dentists, the teeth have



been carefully attended to; adenoids have been removed; eye, ear and nose difficulties have been treated. Many specialists have aided us in this work. During the past year over two hundred visits have been made to physicians, and over one hundred to dentists. We feel that the effect upon the child is better if he is dressed as well as his playmates; we have been greatly aided in this by the generous donations of good clothing.

The parents and relatives assume as much of the payment of the board as possible, often a number of relatives contributing toward the child's support. During the past year about half of the board has been paid in this way, which shows how nobly they have met their obligation; this means much self denial and patient work on their part. We seek to have many return to their homes as soon as possible, but our over-

sight remains to a more or less extent as the case demands; often it is necessary to aid again, in fact many times, but we always try never to shirk our responsibility of the case having once undertaken it.

Careful and complete records are kept of each child. An attempt at least is made to keep these records even after they pass out of our care. At present we are caring for twice as many children as could be accommodated in the Home, and we are glad to say, that we have been able to do, during the past year, all the work the children of the city have asked of us. With the strictest economy it is necessary to raise \$3,000 each year, which is a heavy task for us. Will you not feel it is also your work we are doing, and come generously to our



support, that we may care for the little ones of the city, and be in truth what our name implies, The Worcester Children's Friend Society.

HELEN A. WOODS,

General Secretary.

LETTERS FROM THE CHILDREN.

Dear Mrs. B.—

September 28, 1906.

I promised to write to you after the Fair and tell you about the prizes. Well here goes. Mr. F—, took down a collection of pears and got 1st prize (\$2.00). He also took down a collection of plants and got \$1.00. Well I suppose you want to know what I got. I took down a collection of vegetables and took first prize (\$3.00). Wouldn't that make you laugh? Of course \$.50 of that, the club will keep as it is my first contribution, but \$2.50 is not bad is it? By Christmas I will have \$4.00 more to put in the bank as I have got \$.50 besides my prize.

I got home all right. Well I have got to go to work now, so good bye.

Dear Miss W.—

January 15, 1906.

A—, is going to tell Mrs. B—, about Thanksgiving and I thought I would tell you how we play dressmakers.

One day when we came home from school it was raining hard. The bell rung no school. Doctor said he thought if the children were at home all the afternoon they would make so much noise that it would disturb him in the office. Aunt — said she would go and stay up stairs all the afternoon. But Auntie told us something very nice for us to do. She said we might play dressmakers. Philip asked Auntie what he could do. She told him he could be the messenger boy for the dressmakers. He was to do the errands for us. He had a great many too do because we were very busy. Auntie gave us a large card like this. When we were ready Auntie came down as if she was going out. She brought a large bag. She looked all about to see where our sign was. She called at the office and asked if the dressmakers lived there. When she saw our sign she knocked at our door and told us she had brought us some work. There were buttons to be sewed on and she brought some cloth to make some bibs and patterns to cut them by. When our work was done we tied our package up ready for the messenger boy. In every package we put a pretty card or paper. It was growing dark the afternoon was gone. We had a good time without being noisy. We are learning to mend stockings, and do embroidery. A— got the prize for writing the best letter to Santa Claus at school. Some other time we will tell you about our Christmas.

From your loving friend.

Dear Mrs. B.—

April 13, 1906.

Mr. E— said, I was a little too small yet to milk.

Dr. Savage cleaned all my teeth and asked me if I wouldn't try and keep them clean. If you will send me that tooth brush and powder you promised me I will try and keep them clean. He filled some of my teeth with silver. Give my love to Miss W—

Yours truly.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

For 1905.

RECEIPTS.

All Saints' Church	\$86.66
First Baptist Church	14.64
Pleasant St. Baptist Church	11.25
Central Church, \$80.00; Sunday School, \$6.10.	86.10
Friends' Church	45.00
St. Mark's, \$1.25; Life member, Mrs. A. A. Bigelow, \$25.00 . . .	26.25
St. Matthew's	23.25
Old South Women's Association	7.15
Plymouth Sunday School	26.00
Pilgrim Church, \$15.00; Sunday School, \$53.50; Junior Chris- tian Endeavor Society, \$2.00.	70.50
Piedmont Church, \$102.76; Woman's Association, \$25.00 .	127.76
First Unitarian	241.26
First Universalist	50.00
Church of the Unity	75.00
South Unitarian	70.51
Union Church, \$57.29; Bible School, \$16.50	73.79
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Total, churches and church societies,	\$1,035.12
Donations	340.24
Income	\$4,308.97
Board	2,353.55
Legacy of Ellen Boyden	1,000.00
First National Bank, in liquidation	125.00
Savings Banks	354.10
On hand Jan. 1st, 1905	78.75
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Total receipts,	\$9,595.73

The bank account of the Society closed Dec. 30th, 1905. Some of the churches did not send in their collections until after that date, so credit cannot be given them in this report.

EXPENSES.

Board of children	\$5,215.75
Salaries	1,787.38
Labor	102.30
Clothing	444.43
Fuel	119.50
Travel	181.15
Annual Report	92.25
Printing	9.55
Stationery	95.32
Express	11.50
Telephone	23.19
Insurance	18.00
Rental of Safe Deposit box	5.00
Street sprinkling	17.05
Office	7.25
Miscellaneous	10.30
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	\$8,139.92
Paid permanent fund	1,383.50
On hand Jan. 1st, 1906	72.31
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	\$9,595.73

Respectfully submitted,
MARY R. COLTON,
Treasurer.

We have examined the foregoing accounts with the vouchers and find them correct.

KATE R. SEARLES,
ABIGAIL T. BARTON.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

From January 1, to October 1, 1906.

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1906

\$72.31

RECEIPTS.

All Saints' Church	\$ 5.50
First Baptist Church	102.22
Dewey St. Baptist25
Central, \$104.07; Woman's Association, \$10.00. .	114.07
Church of Christ, \$6.00; Ladies' Society, \$5.00. .	11.00
Friends'	42.18
Grace	27.00
Hope Church Ladies' Social Union	5.00
St. Mark's	39.00
Old South, \$94.60; Class, 8, Sunday School, \$40.00; Woman's Association, \$5.00.	139.60
Plymouth, \$57.47; Young Ladies' League, \$75.00 .	132.47
Pilgrim, \$32.75; Sunday School, \$41.38; Woman's Association, \$6.14	80.27
Piedmont, \$64.50; Woman's Association, \$25.00 .	89.50
First Presbyterian	1.00
First Swedish Methodist	1.50
Trinity	39.00
First Unitarian	96.50
South Unitarian, \$5.00; Ladies' Society, \$55.50; Sunday School, \$3.00	63.50
Auxiliary Lend-a-hand Club, Church of Unity .	10.00
First Universalist Ladies' Society,	50.00
Union, \$39.00; Bible School, \$18.35.	57.35

Total from churches and church societies	\$1,106.91
Income	3,800.80
Board	2,494.27
Donations	109.00
Estate of Samuel D. Harding	1,000.00
Estate of Harlan P. Duncan	500.00
First National Bank, in liquidation	100.00
Memorial Home for Blind, gas, coal, Janitor . .	131.17

\$9,314.46

FROM JANUARY 1 TO OCTOBER 1, 1906.

EXPENSES.

Board of children	\$5,236.70
Salaries	1,377.44
Clothing	518.32
Travel	124.65
Fuel	78.00
Janitor	80.00
Stationery	63.98
Printing	4.47
Express	12.50
Gas	11.51
Telephone	23.49
Doctor	6.00
Repairs and care of office	24.95

Total expenses	\$7,562.01
Paid Permanent Fund	1,600.00
Cash on hand, Oct. 1, 1906	152.45

Total,	\$9,314.46
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Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. MILLER,

Treasurer.

We have examined the foregoing accounts with the vouchers and find them correct.

KATE R. SEARLES,

ABIGAIL T. BARTON.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

	1905	1906
Bailey, Mrs. Wilford A.	\$ 1.00	
Baker, Mr. Luther	5.00	
Bigelow, Mrs. Abbie A., Life Membership	25.00	
Bennett, Mr. G. E.50	
Black, Mrs. Charles E.	5.00	
Blake, Mr. George F.		15.00
Booth, Mrs. Charles	1.00	
Brown, G. and W., and H. Waite,	1.00	
Coes, Mrs. Frank L.	5.00	
Coes, Mrs. Jennie	10.00	
Comins, Miss Ella A.	5.00	
Congregational Church, Shrewsbury, Ladies' Society	25.00	10.00
Congregational Church, Paxton, C. E. Society	9.00	17.00
First Baptist Church, for special case	70.00	78.00
Foye, Mrs. Frank W.	5.00	5.00
Friend, Life Membership for Mrs. Lizzie M. Bassett	25.00	
Friend	30.00	
Friend	20.00	
Friend, Oxford	1.00	
Gage, Mrs. Mabel Knowles	15.00	
George H. Ward, Woman's Relief Corps	5.00	5.00
Girls' Industrial Club	36.00	20.00
Hatch, Mr. George, for Life Membership of Mrs. Hatch	25.00	
Heath, Mr. C.		5.00
Hewett, Mr. George F.	5.00	
Hoit's Mrs. S. S. Class	3.00	
Lincoln, Miss Frances M.	5.00	
Livermore, Mrs. Persis W.	5.00	
May, The Misses, Leicester, Mass.		5.00
Peckham, Miss K. F.		1.00
Rice, Mrs. Winneola		5.00
Richardson, Mrs. William A	5.00	5.00
Ripley, Mrs. Martha	10.00	
Sawyer, Mr. Thomas J.		5.00
Scott, Mr. David	2.00	
Searls, Mrs. William P.	5.00	
Shaw, Mrs. Thomas	10.00	
South Baptist Church, C. E. Society	2.00	
Tatnuck Mission, C. E. Society	1.00	
Thurston, Rev. John R.	10.00	
Unitarian Church, Leicester		10.00
Wakefield, Mrs. Frederick J.	1.00	
Wall, Mrs. Elizabeth	10.00	
Walker, Hon. Joseph H.	5.00	
Whitney, Mrs. George C.	2.00	
Whittall, Mr. Matthew J.	10.00	
Whittall, Mrs. M. Percival	5.00	
Woman's Relief Corps, Upton	5.00	
Wyman, Mrs. Franklin	2.00	
Young Ladies' League, Plymouth Church	6.16	

GIVERS AND GIFTS.

All Saints Church, Ladies' Society, 151 articles of clothing. (new).
Barnard, Mrs. George A., material for dresses. 23 articles of clothing.
Barnard, Mrs. George F., 10 articles of clothing.
Barton, Mrs. Charles S., 9 books.
Batchelder, Miss Belle, 1 article of clothing.
Benchley, Mrs. James E., 22 articles of clothing.
Bigelow, Mrs. George A., 9 articles of clothing. 1 pr. of skates.
Bigelow, Mrs. Frank B., 34 articles of clothing.
Billings, Miss Clara, 2 articles of clothing.
Boyd, Miss Elizabeth H. M., 3 articles of clothing.
Boston Store, Millinery supplies.
Boynton, Mrs. Persis G., 6 articles of clothing.
Bradley, Mrs. John E., 10 articles of clothing.
Church of Unity, Ladies' Charitable Society, 28 articles of clothing. (new).
City Missionary Sewing School, through Miss Giddings, 18 articles of clothing. (new) 6 marble bags.
Colton, Miss Mary R., 1 article of clothing.
Comins, Miss Ella A., 49 articles of clothing, Christmas gifts.
Comins, Mrs. Irving E., 3 articles of clothing.
Comins, Miss Mary E., 1 article of clothing.
Cook, Mrs. Oliver R., 161 articles of clothing.
Cook, Mrs. Walter S., 17 articles of clothing.
Davis, Mrs. Anna R., 37 articles of clothing.
Davis, Mrs. Frank E., 14 articles of clothing.
Davis, Mrs. Gilbert G., 11 articles of clothing.
Denholm, Mrs. William J., 7 articles of clothing.
Dewey St. Baptist Church, Junior E. C. Society, 22 valentines.
Dickinson, Mrs. William, 13 articles of clothing. (new)
Downey, Mr. Daniel, 2 articles of clothing.
Ellis, Mrs. D. E., 2 articles of clothing.
Emergency Society, through Mrs. L. B. Hoit, 8 articles of clothing. (new)
Evans, Mrs. Holland P., 1 article of clothing.
Fales, Mrs. Lenuel A., 17 articles of clothing.
Farnsworth, Mr. Calvin, carriage ride.
Farnsworth, Mrs. George C., Hubbardston, 1 article of clothing.
Fay, Mrs. Albert H., 3 articles of clothing.
Fay, Mrs. Forbes B., 39 articles of clothing.
Firman, Mrs. Henry, 2 articles of clothing.
First Baptist Church, 26 articles of clothing.
First Unitarian Church, Ladies' Society, 25 articles of clothing. (new)
Friend, 6 articles of clothing.
Friend, Pocketknife.
Garland, Mrs. Lewis B., toys.
Gilman & Moffett, 5 lbs. candy.
Goddard, Mrs. Asa, 6 articles of clothing. Toys and magazines.
Goodwin, Mrs. Edward R., 52 articles of clothing.
Gray, Mrs. Arthur E., 9 articles of clothing.
Green, Mrs. James, 22 articles of clothing.
Greendale Baptist Church, Miss Hassam's class, valentines, 2 scrap books.
Gross, Mrs. Henry J., 71 articles of clothing.
Hall, Mrs. Henry E., baby carriage.
Hammond Clothing Co., 2 articles of clothing.

Harris, F. M. Co., medicines.
 Harwood, Mrs. Lyall, 3 articles of clothing.
 Hill, Mrs. Asa V., 1 article of clothing.
 Hixon, Mr. Adin A., flower seeds.
 Hope Church, Ladies' Society, 7 articles of clothing.
 Jewett, Mrs. Warren C., 1 article of clothing.
 Johnson, Mrs. Elmore F., 7 articles of clothing.
 Johnson, Mrs. Mauritz, 1 article of clothing.
 Jones, Mrs. Mabelle, 1 article of clothing.
 Kent, Miss Harriet, 7 articles of clothing.
 Kindred, Mrs. James, 1 article of clothing.
 Kyes, Mrs. John F., 18 articles of clothing.
 Lathrop, Mrs. Fred D., 19 articles of clothing.
 Logan, Mrs. James, 18 boxes of writing paper.
 Lyseth, Mr. Sutton S., Trucking.
 Mackintire, Mrs. George W., 23 articles of clothing.
 McGuiness, Mr. John E., millinery supplies.
 Messenger, Mrs. Frank L., 26 articles of clothing. 5 books and 7 games.
 Miller, Mrs. Henry L., baby carriage.
 Moore, Mrs. Carlos B., 7 articles of clothing.
 Morse, Miss Maria, 7 articles of clothing.
 Nichols, Mrs. Henry P., 2 article of clothing.
 Norcross, Mrs. James A., 105 articles of clothing. (new) Christmas gifts.
 Norcross, Mrs. William E., 34 articles of clothing.
 Old South Church, class Eight, 117 articles of clothing.
 Piedmont Church, Ladies' Society, 18 articles of clothing.
 Pierce, Mrs. Edwin B., 10 books, 6 jackknives, 8 games. Clothing.
 Pilgrim Church, Primary Department, Christmas toys.
 Pilgrim Church, Miss Lynde's class, clothes for one doll
 Pleasant St. Baptist Church, 7 articles of clothing.
 Putman, Miss Ella A., 2 articles of clothing. (new)
 Putman, Mrs. George, trimming hats.
 Redden, Mrs. Otis, 35 articles of clothing.
 Rodgers, Mrs. Sansom M., 23 articles of clothing.
 Ross, Mr. Walter D., squash seeds.
 Searls, Mrs. William P., 9 articles of clothing.
 Scott, Mrs. J. E., 3 articles of clothing.
 Scott, Miss Margaret, 6 napkin rings, 1 comb, 1 match receiver.
 Sherer, C. T. Co., food.
 Sherman Envelope Co., 1000 envelopes.
 Sibley, Mrs. Harry, 13 articles of clothing. 1 baby carriage.
 Smith, Miss Lucy, 3 articles of clothing.
 Smith, Miss Theodate, 6 articles of clothing, 1 book.
 Souther, Mrs. William T., 14 articles of clothing.
 South Unitarian Church, Ladies' Aid Society, 6 articles of clothing. (new)
 Stewart, Miss Mary, 5 articles of clothing. (new)
 Stoddard, Mrs. Emma F., 9 articles of clothing.
 Stowell, Mrs. Nathaniel E., 15 articles of clothing.
 Tarr, Miss Alice M., 7 articles of clothing.
 Thayer, Mrs. Corwin M., 44 articles of clothing.
 Toombs, Dr. J. Everett, toothpowder.
 Upham, Mrs. Roger F., 1 article of clothing. (new)
 Ward, Mrs. George O., 8 articles of clothing.
 Whipple, Miss Mary E., 6 articles of clothing.
 Whiting, Mrs. E. M., 9 articles of clothing.
 Whitney, Mrs. George C., 100 valentines, envelopes, postage.

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